SHRI G. SWAMINATHAN Tamil Nadu): Madam, I am very sorry. *(Interruptions.)* . We just want the verdict of the Tribunal to be honoured.

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: Mr. Swaminathan, I have not permitted what he said to go on record.

SHRI SUBRAMANIAN SWAMY; Madam, we want to know from the Government what has been agreed to by the Water Resources Minister because there is complete confusion in the country. .. *(Interruptions)*

SHRI G. SWAMINATHAN: We want the Tribunal's verdict to be honoured.

SHRI SUBRAMANIAN SWAMY:... as to what has been agreed to by the Water Resources Minister with the States of Karnataka and Tamil Nadu.

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: I have got... *(Interruptions)* One minute,Mr. Swaminathan.

SHRI G. SWAMINATHAN: I would say only one word.

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: Let me say only one word. I have to adjourn (the House for lunch. If you want say one to word, you can say that.

SHRI G. SWAMINATHAN: The Tamil Nadu Government wanted the verdict of the Tribunal to be honoured. That is all we wanted. We wanted the implementation of the verdict of the Tribunal which is the order of the Supreme Court also. We never wanted anything else.

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: The House is now adjoudned for lunch till 2.30 p.m.

The House then adjourned for lunch at thirty-two minutes past one of the clock.

The House reassembled after lunch birty-four minutes oast two of the clock. The Deputy Chairman in the Chair.

ME. CAVVERY WATER DISPUTE ***Contd.***

SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY (Pondicherry); Madam Deputy Chairman, I thank you for giving me this opportunity to reter to the Cauvery water dispute that is existing between Tamil Nadu, Pondicherry and Karnataka... *(Interruptions).. .*

AN HON. MEMBER: And Kerala.

SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY: And Kera'a also on the other side.

The Tamil Nadu Chief Minister went on a fast unilaterally on the Cauvery water issue, In the State of Tamil Nadu, because of the Chief Minister sitting on a fast, the entire administration was paralysed for three days. The bandh-cal? was given by the people belonging to the AIADMK.

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: Are you speaking about the fast or are you speaking about the water?

SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY. I am coming to it. I am coming to the water issue. I have to give.. . *(Inter, ruptions)* ...

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: I mean that the permission was granted.

SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY: Not only that, the entire transport system was paralysed. Why I am referring to it is a responsible Chief Minister of a State,. . *(Interruptions).. .*

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: You are not referring to the Chief Minister.

SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY: with-out approaching the Central Government, nor even approaching the adjoining States, Karnataka, for the pur-• pose of resolving the issue, took a unilateral decision which caused a lot of] *i*nconvenience to the people of Tamil Nadu which I would like of bring on record.

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN; No. The permission granted to you—I wanted to make it very clear—is regarding the Cauvery issue, the water issue, not the fast. If the permission was for the fast I would have allowed you to discuss the fast.

SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY: It is incidental to what I am referring to because she should have resorted to negotiations with the Central Government and also with the State Government of Karnataka for the purpose of resolving the dispute. In that context I would like to make a reference to that. As far as the interim award is concerned, it is everybody's knoweldge that the Tribunal gave its interim award. I would like to lay emphasis on that point. In spite of that, the Karnataka Government tried to block it. *(Interruptions)*

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRIMATI MARGARET ALVA): Why are you saying that Karnataka tried to block It? *(Interruptions).*

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: This is a matter between benches. Then you can. . . *(Interruptions)*

SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY; Madam, let us go through the background Actually, Karnataka did not co-operate either with the Central Government or with the other adjourning States, which are affected by the Cauvery water dispute, for the purpose of resolving this dispute. That is my complaint against Karnataka right from the beginning. Twenty-six negotiations were held in which Karnataka did not co-operate with other State Governments for the purpose of resolving the dispute because they found that they would be at a disadvantage. Right from 1974 they tried to block it and the Tribunal was appoined and the interim award was passed. As far as the Central Government is concerned, I have a complaint. After the inter.m award was passed it was notified by brining the issue in this House and also in the other House. After that the interim award was converted into a court decree which had *to b*e implemented by the Central Government by appointing an authority for the purpose of enforcing the order. But that has not been done by the Central Government and that Was the reason for the problem.

Now in spite of the persuasive efforts taken by the Central Government for the purpose of resolving the dispute and the Water Resources Minister announcing that a monitoring committee and a co-ordinating committee will be appointed for the imrpose of considering the flow of water according to the interim award, the Karnataka Chief Minister made categorical statement that they would not agree to this. He said. "We will just ignore the suggestion made by the Minister for Water Resources." I would like to submit in this regard that the Karnataka Government have suffl-iment water in their recervoirs. The famers. in the delta reation. especially in. the Taniorp resion and in the Karaikkal reaion of Pondisherrv where in lakhs of acres of land naddv has sown, are suffering and water is not available Writer is not *available* even for seven days in the Mettur reservoir

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: Now, Mr. Narayanasimv. I suppose this was a questior, raised in the Zero Hour. Now ♦he Zero Hour is not there So. you might as well make a mention of it and please sit down because of we are going to have a full-fledeed discussion on Cauverv then I have to allow many other people and we have no such business on OUT record just now

SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY: Madam, I will be brief.

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN; You only say whether you want water or you don't want water. That will be much better.

SHRI S.K.T. RAMACHANRAN (Tamil Nadu); Madam, we want water. That is all.

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: Otherwise, all our business in the House will get drowned.

SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY: Madam, lakhs of fanners of the delta region of Cauvery basin in Tamil Nadu and Karaikkal region of Pondicherry are suffering because of the adamant attitude adopted by the Karnataka Government on the one side and the Tamil Nadu Government on the other side. They just ignore the farmers. They are politicising the issue.

SHRI S. JAIPAL REDDY; How is Mr. Hanumanthappa maintaining silence?

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN; He has already taken my permission,

SHRI H. HANUMANTHAPPA (Karnataka): I want to be an orderly Member unlike Mr. Jaipal Reddy.

SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY: There are reports that there is plenty of water in thereservoirs. Madam, even in the interim award there is a specific direction by the Commission that if sufficient water is not available during the lean period, the Karnataka Government can approach the Commission for the purpose of modifying quantity of water that has to besupplied every month. But the Karnataka Government does not want *to* go there. They wanted to affect the farmersof Tamil Nadu and Pondicherry. They wanted to gain out of it.

Madam, my submission is that the Karnataka Government should be forced by the Central Government to accept it. Otherwise, the Karnataka Government will definitely flout the orders of the Central Goverment, flout the interm award that has been passed by the Tribunal. I request the Central Government that the monitoring authority and also the coordinating authority, which have been agreed to, should be announced immediately so that the interim award which has been paased by the Tribunal e implemented in the right spirit and the farmers of Tamil Nadu and Pondicherry will be benefited.

SHRI H. HANUMANTHAPPA; Madam ...

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN; You wantto reply to the allegations?

SHRI H. HANUMANTHAPPA: No, Madam. I don't want to reply. I want o set the record straight. Madam, this Cauvery issue, you will, remember, when you were in the Chair, was discussed in
1991. During 1992 nobody raised this issue. Neither Mr. Narayanasamy nor anybody else raised the issue in the House. Why? Madam, nature was kind to us. There was rain and a lot of water was there. Nobody raised the Cauvery issue during 1992. The problem has arisen in 1993 because there were no rains in catchment areas. When there is no water the Cauvery issue figures and when there is plenty of water the Couvery issue does not figure at all in the House.

SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY: Don't v milead the House. I raised this issue in
1992. It is on record.

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN; Agreed. Let him finish.

SHRI S.K.T RAMACHANDRAN; It is not a question of plenty of water. When there is plendy of water, then there is no question of sharong. When there is scarcity of water then only he question of sharing comes. Since they are in the upper reach, they deny the rights of the Tamil Nadu farmers. That is the question. What is his ex-placation? He is saying that when there is plenty of water, they give it. Who is he to give us water? Naturally they have to drain the water.

SHRI H. HANUMANTHAPPA: He is unnecessarily raising this matter I did not say that we give. I have not used that word. I don't know from where Mr. Ramachandran got that word I have not said that There is no question of give and take. *(Interruptions).*

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: Let this matter be settled now.

SHRI H. HANUMANTHAPPA; Mr. Narayanasamy does not know the facts. It is not an interim award, if is an interim order. By virtue of the Supreme Court order the Tribunal has given an interim order. We still maintain that an intsrim order is not enforceable under the Act,

SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY; The Supreme Court has ruled.. . *(Interwv-tions)* .

SHRI H. HANUMANTHAPPA: When he was supeaking. I kept quiet as a good boy. I want Mr. Narayanasamy to behave.

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: Mr. Narayanasamy if you are not going to keep quiet, I will ask you to come and sit in the Chair.

SHRI H. HANUMANTHAPPA: Madam, actually what happened this time on the 16th of July when there was no water?. According to the terms of the interim order itself, when there is distress, either party can go to the Tribunal. On the 16th of July itself, Karnataka Government made an application to the Tritunal saying that we are short of water, there is distress and the Tribunal has to take note of it. Just to pre-empt this, that unnecessary incident took place. Narayanasamy did not know it because be was observing the Karnataka party work at that time. He did not know that Karnataka Government filed an application on 16th July, 1993 before the Tribunal saying that the catchment area has not got sufficient water. We did not have sufficient rains and this distreseing situation should be avoided. Just to preempt this, this fast was undertaken. If the Chief Minister of a State who has to look after the administration and the well-being of the people report to these things, then it will be difficult. Madam, in its anxiety to save a life—we also do not want any sacrifice—the Central Government is rushing to appoint committees for monitoring and this is very bad. Section 6(1) and 6A of the Inter-State Water Dispute Act mentions about a scheme. *So,* as per the Tribunal order no scheme has been formulated and hence the question of implementation and monitoring not arise. So unless assessment of the water availability is not done —the Tamil Nadu Government disputes even the Central Water Commission figures, —the question of sharing does not arise. When there is plenty, there is no quarrel. When it is empty, the quarrel begins. So, unless the flow is assessed and equitable distribution is arrived at, we cannot solve it. We cannot solve this only by law. It requires something more. So our request before the Government and the Prime Minister is, please intervene and call all the concerned States to the negotiating table to settle this and find a long standing solution to it.

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: Mr. Gopalsamy, you want to say something on this. Please be brief.

SHRI V. GOPALSAMY (Tamil Nadu): Madam Deputy Chairman, I am grateful to you for permitting me to raise this very serious and important issue, This has cawed concern in the

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minds of the fanners of Tamil Nadu. They are in tears. It is the duty of the Central Government to protect the interest of the farmers. The farmers of Tamil Nadu are not begging any privilege-from the State of Karnataka. It is a matter of right which we have been enjoying for thousands of years. The Central Government, when Shri V. P. b'ingh was the Prime Minister, had constituted a Tribunal which gave an interim award. The first injustice done to the people of Tamil Nadu was the ordinance promulgated by the Governor of Karnataka and the Resolution passed in the Karnataka Assembly. At that time itself when the Central Government wanted *to* refer the matter to the Supreme Court. the Supreme Court gave a clear verdict that the Tribunal is competent to give an interim order which is binding on the States. For the past two years that award has not been implemented by the State of; Karnataka. My charge is against the Central Government. Mr. Hanu-manthappa is fighting for the cause of his State and I don't want to cross swords with him. I raise an accusing finger against the Central Government which has failed miserably in its duty. The Central Government should have seen to it that the award is implemented and 205 TMC water is released. That is the interim award of the tribunal. Now, Madam, what has happened? The Central Government is trying to hoodwink the people of Tamil Nadu. When a drama was enacted on the Marina beach by the Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu in the name of fast, Mr. Shukla rushed to Madras, he had discussions with the Chief Minister and then she ended her fast by taking a glass of juice from him. Then, he made an announcement that the Central Government would appoint an implementation committer and a monitoring committee to settle the dispute. This announcement itself is a fraud. It is a mere eyewash. Actually, there is no necessity to appoint... *(Interruptions).*

SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY: Even if the Central Government intervenes, you are accusing it and even if it doesn't act, yo*u* accuse it.

SHRI V. GOPALSAMY: There is no necessary for either a monitoring committee or an implementation committee. The tribunal award should have been implemented straight away by the Karnataka Government. What action has the Central Government taken in this regard? People of Tamil Nadu have been taken for a ride by the Central Government as well as by the present State Government of Tamil Nadu. The worst; sufferers are the farmers of Tamil Nadu.

No State can take the law into its own hands. Every State has got its own genuine rights. It is a matter of right for Tamil Nadu to get Cauvery water. Now, it is the duty of the Central Government to implement the award. But the Central Government has failed in its duty. The Narasimha Rao Government has failed in its duty. Now. what is the? remedy? I would like to know if at all the Central Government exists in Delhi. If the Central Government really wants to protect the interest of the citizens all over the country and, thereby, promote national integration, it is the duty of the Central Government to see to it that injustice is not done by one State against the other State... *(Interruptions).*

SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY: Let us not play politics on this issue. It is the farmers' interest that is at stake. Don't try to politicise the issue. *(Interruptions).* Don't Mame the Central Government.. . *(Interruptions).* Even the Congress Party has been demanding that water should be released from Cauvery to Tamil Nadu.

SHRI V. GOPAlSAMY- My point is that the injustice done by the Karnataka State must be stopped by the Central Government. Otherwise, what will happen? What is happening in the Soviet Republics might be repeated in India too. If you say, "We will not release Cauvery water to any other State because it is passing through my State", then the people of Tamil Nadu would say, "Yes, Kalpakkam is there in our State and, so, we will take it; Neyvell is

there in our State and we will take it; ordance factory is there and we will take the ordnance factory'. Will you tolerate such a thing? Unless the Central Government comes into the picture and sees to it that injustice meted out by one State against the other State is stopped, India will have to face the same fate as that of the Soviet Republics. It is my charge against Mr. Narasimha Rao that the appointment of the committees is only to hoodwink the people of Tamil Nadu. It is because the Congress has lost in Tamil Nadu politically....

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: Now, I will not allow you to make a debate.

SHRI V. GOPALSAMY: Now, the Congress dosen't want to lose their vote bank in Karnataka. That is why they are betraying the people of Tamil Nadu. This is *my* charge against. , the Central Government and ogainst the State Government headed by Ms. Jayalalitha.

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: I won't permit names ____ (Interruptions). No, I am not permitting it... *(Interruptions)* Please sit down.

SHRI V. GOPALSAMY: People of Tamil Nadu have been cheated by the State Government as well as by the Central Government. This is. the present state of affairs. What* we want is that Tamil Nadu must get justice.

SHRI S. K. T. RAMACHANDRAN: Water is a natural resource...

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: We have got so many other matters.. .. *(Interruptions).* Just a second... *(In-terruptionb).* On a matter relating to Tamil- Nadu, I cannot permit every Member from Tamil Nadu to speak.

SHRI S.K.T. RAMACHANDRAN: I am not going to enter into a discussion. I want just to make an appeal.

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: I am not allowing you. Please take your seat. You had your say. You cannot have afterthoughts and start speaking. No more discussion. There are so many other matters. I request everybody to sit down and I will call someone else to speak.

SHRI V. GOPALSAMY: When Mr. V. P. Singh was the Prime Minister, it was our Government who got the Award from the Cauvery Tribunal. The credit goes to the D.M.K. Government' The Karnataka Government is betraying the people of Tamil Nadu.

SHRI S. K. T. RAMACHANDRAN: This is a very sensitive issue threatening the very integrity of the country. I understand this. So, I want to make an appeal not only *to* the Government but to the whole House and, through the House, to the whole community, the Indian community. In such a situation let us be calm, sagacious prudent and find out a solution. Let us not try to politicise the issue.

SHRI V. GOPALSAMY: You are a senior Congressman and I respect you. You please yn and privail upon Mr-Narasimha Rao. You tell him not to betray the people of Tamil Nadu.

SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY: It is the Prime Minister and the Water Resources Minister who announced the setting up of a monitoring committee and a steering committee. Mr. Gopalsamy the Central Government is taking all the necessary steps. It is only the Karnataka Government.. .(Interruptions)...

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: Order in the House, please.

SHRI S. K. T. RAMACHANDRAN: I want to make an appeal.

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: He is making an appeal. At least, let us listen to his appeal.

SHRI S. K. T. RAMACHANDRAN: Not only on this issue but on all issues of similar nature like sharing of waters or inter-State matters, let us be somewhat prudent, sagacious and calm. Let us not politicise such matters. After all, this is a matter for which we are all fighting. I make this appeal to Mr.

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Gopalsamy and other people not to try to politicise this issue.

SjHRI V. GOPALSAMY; I know your heart is burning. . . *(Intrruptions)* ...

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: Nothing is going on record after this on this issue. Now, we will take up Special Mentions.

SPECIAL MENTIONS

Afcrociiles on a woman and her *two* daughters *at* Ainaravati in Guntur District, Andhra Pradesh

SHRI MOTURU HANUMANTHA; RAO (Andhra Pradesh): Madam, I thank you very much for giving me this opportunity to speak. But I regret to make a Special Mention regarding atrocities committed on a mother, aged 40 and her grown-up daughters, aged 22 and 20, on the night of 16m July, 1993 at Amaravathi, 30 kilometres away from Guntur in Andhra Pradesh. The sairpanch and his goonda followers numbering about 20, raided the house of Shri Puli Narasimha Rao at 11.00 p.m. and dragged his wife and daughters into the street, stripped them of their clohes and paraded them maked and assaulted and abused them in a most vulgar language.

[THE VICE-CHAIRMAN 'SHRI MD. SALIM) in the Crasr]

While this incident is shocking by itself, this heinous crime was committed in order to wreak vengeance on Mr. Narasimha Rao for leaving the Congress Party and for owing allegiance to the Telugu Desam Party and it is most detestable. That this crime was committed precisely on the day when the Chief Minister of the State was camping in Guntur, shows how free the Congressmen feed to commit any crime against their political opponents.

Anyway, this outrage against women has roused the conscience of the entire people of the State. Thousands of men and women have gone on dharnas and protest marches in Amaravaihi, Guntur and other places.

So, I demand that the Home Ministei should come forward immediately with a statement about this outrage and tab immediate action against the culprits, hope this august House and the hon Vice-Chairman would join me in con demning this ghastly humiliation to those women.

Thank you.

श्री मोहम्मद अमीन : (पश्चिमी बंगाल) : जनाब वायसचेयरमैन साहब मैं भी इनके साथ एस्सोसियेट करता हूं और यह मांग करता हूं कि जिन लोगों ने यह जुर्म किया है, उनको कड़ी सजा दी जाए ।

نور محمد امین : جناب وائس چیئرمین صاحب میں بھی ان کے ساتھ ایسوسی ایٹ کرتا ہوں اور یہ مانگ کرتا ہوں کہ جن لوگوں نے یہ جرم کیا ہے۔ ان کو کڑی سزا

श्रीमती सरला मेहेरोत्री (पश्चिमी बंगाल) मैं भी माननीय सदस्य की भावनाओं के साथ अपने आपको संबद्ध करती हूं । आए दिन इस तरह की घटनायें होती रहती हैं इसलिए मैं यह कहूंगी कि इस पूरे मामले की तहकीकात की जाए ।

श्रीमती सुषमा स्वराज (हरियाणा) : उपसभाध्यक्ष महोदय, मैं भी अपने आप को संबद्ध करना चाहती हूं । किसी ने बोला और हमने संबद्ध किया और यह रिकार्ड में आ गया, यह रस्मी बन कर रह जाता है । कभी कभी सरकार खड़ी हो कर कह देती है कि यह कार्यवाही करेगी । लेकिन कभी किसी सत्र में इसका जिक्र नहीं आया कि सरकार द्वारा क्या कार्यवाही की गई । बार बार इस तरह